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MILES IN LIMBO.

He Obtains Money Under False Pretenses.

William Miles, a young man who was for a time engaged with the Singer Sewing Machine Company here, passed several bogus checks drawn on the Exchange National Bank on several parties about three weeks ago.

He figured prominently in the celebrated case of Brent vs. Brent, tried here in September.

As no arrest was made for the use of the bogus checks, the matter was kept quiet, and young Miles now turns up with more bogus checks and the alias Moore.

The Buena Vista Advocate thus describes his late operations:

A young man who registered himself here as W. M. Moore, of Roanoke, was arrested at the instance of Mr. J. M. Henkel, on the charge of obtaining money from him under false pretenses. It seems that Moore was in debt to Mr. Henkel for a heavy bill amounting to \$18, and that in settlement he gave Mr. Henkel a check on one of the Roanoke banks for \$25, receiving the difference in currency. It was soon ascertained by wire that Moore had nothing to his credit in the bank at Roanoke, but that he had recently lost a situation there.

After his arrest, it transpired that he had recently registered himself at Fairfield as Wm. Miles. Mayor White held him in custody to await an answer from the prisoner's friends, whom he gave opportunity to make good the funds he had unlawfully obtained.

Since the above was written, it transpires that he had victimized parties at Fairfield and Lexington in the same manner. Commonwealth's Attorney Moore, from Lexington, arrived here yesterday, when an examination of the case was had, and Mayor White sent the prisoner to jail at Lexington to await the action of the grand jury.

Moore is a young man of neat appearance, and demeaned himself with great composure during the trial.

STAYS THE MILE.

Steps Taken to Reopen the Wm. White Plowing Mill.

A party of gentlemen have recently purchased the old plowing mill in the town building, at the foot of Woodland Park, and are canvassing for stock subscriptions with a view of starting the machinery.

This mill was in successful operation for a long time, and in view of the fact that there is so great a demand for building material, the enterprise will again be successful.

It was in operation it will employ thirty skilled men and bring thirty families to Roanoke.

New Post-Office Boxes.

Postmaster Ashberry has procured a number of large mail boxes in which to deposit bulky packages and newspapers.

They are rather larger than he anticipated, and Mr. O'Brien, the post-office, yesterday informed a Times reporter that he would have to consult with the city engineer before the officials decided to place them.

In the event that they are unobjectionable as to size, one box will be placed at Jefferson street and Salem avenue, one at Salem avenue and Commonwealth street, one at the depot, and one at each of the prominent hotels.

They will prove a great convenience to the public.

A Brave Little Miss.

Mary Dora Rardin, the 8-year-old orphan niece of Mrs. T. T. Fishburne, of this city, arrived here Thursday from Chicago, whence she had traveled without any guardianship save that bestowed by the kindly trainman. May is quite a bright little miss, writing poetry deemed worthy of publication.

New Store Building.

C. Markley has bought the house at the corner of Salem avenue and Commerce street, in the upper story of which Squire Howerton has his office, and will shortly erect a handsome brick store to supplant the frame structure now there.

APPLES ARE VERY SCARCE.

Finest Apple Region Not to Ship a Barrel.

General Failure of the Apple Crop Throughout this Section—Much Loss to the People in the Rural Districts—Fruit of All Kinds Will be High—Tomatoes Raised by the Fruit Scarcity.

There is a small portion of Western Roanoke county that is one of the finest apple-growing regions in the world.

It usually ships about 40,000 barrels of apples annually, besides raising large quantities for home consumption and supplying neighboring towns.

The finest and most valuable variety raised in this region as well as in Virginia, is the Albemarle pippin. It is a large white apple of fine flavor, and always commands a good price.

The small territory alluded to usually ships about 20,000 barrels of this variety. They go directly to New York, and from there to London and other European cities.

The part of the crop that is shipped is usually sold to two or three large dealers in the orchard. Many growers sold their entire product last year for 75 cents per bushel on the trees.

Apple growing is not confined to the small part of Roanoke county already spoken of. The apple crop is one of the main money crops in many counties in Southwest Virginia, including Botetourt, Bedford, Franklin, Floyd and Carroll.

Englishmen will not enjoy Albemarle pippins this winter, for there are none for them.

Probably not a barrel will be shipped from Virginia, which has formerly been supplying thousands of barrels.

Mr. James C. Watts, of Cave Spring, who is a large grower in the banner apple region of Roanoke county, was in Roanoke yesterday and said to a Times representative that not a barrel of apples of any kind would be shipped from there. "The crop with us is an entire failure," said he, "and we haven't enough apples for our own use through the winter. In my immediate vicinity the loss will be \$250,000."

The crop is almost an entire failure throughout the apple-growing region of Virginia, though it is reported better in Floyd county than anywhere else.

The apples that have been grown are generally of an inferior quality, and are reported not to be keeping well.

A gentleman at Blue Ridge Springs, who put away over two hundred bushels, recently found, upon unpacking them, that only half of them were sound.

About all of the apples now in the stores of Roanoke were purchased from wagons, but dealers say that the supply seems to be about exhausted.

A Times representative called on the grocers and fruit-dealers yesterday and found nice apples at but two or three places. These, he was told, came from Floyd county and cost from the wagons \$1.50 per bushel.

Only one peck of pippins has yet been sold in Roanoke.

A gentleman of Rocky Mount who trades with Catogni, brought him a peck of fine pippins some time ago and received five cents apiece for them.

Mr. L. H. Bugh said that it will be impossible to get apples at any price after Christmas. "The crop is a failure all over the country," said he, "and the home supply will be exhausted by that time." Mr. Bugh said, also, that all kinds of canned fruit will be very high.

This statement was made by all the grocers, all of them saying that no fruit has been put up, and the only source of supply is that which was left over from last year's stock. These goods are now selling for double the price of a year ago.

The interview also developed the fact that tomatoes will be unusually high on account of the scarcity of canned fruits.

From Mr. Joseph J. Catogni, who is a good authority on fruits, the reporter received information that will not be encouraging to those who frequently donate elegant baskets.

According to Mr. Catogni, all imported fruits will be much higher on account of the scarcity of the domestic product, and ordinary apples will soon be five cents apiece.

The Florida orange crop, which is now being gathered, is reported at two-thirds of a crop, and apples are now quoted in Northern markets at \$8 to \$6 per barrel.

California was the only section of the country that made a fine fruit crop this year and she has made a fortune out of it.

Made a Policeman His Banker.

William Redd, a young colored man, got into Roanoke Thursday from Henry county, where he had amassed the fortune of \$22. The number of houses in the city evidently frightened William, and he approached Officer N. M. Wade and asked his advice about the safety of his money.

Wade directed him to several parties, who declined the responsibility of keeping so vast a sum over night for a stranger, and the negro beseeched Mr. Wade to become his banker. This the officer did, and turned his trust over to Redd yesterday morning.

Redd is quite voracious, and he and his wealth are yet at large.

Arrested for Assaulting a Woman.

Gus Collins, a white laborer, was arrested last night on a warrant charging him with assault and battery.

He had an altercation with a Mrs. Davis some time ago about a small musical instrument he was trying to purchase from her. It is charged that he struck the woman a heavy blow.

Collins left town for a few days shortly after the affair is alleged to have occurred. He came back yesterday and was taken to the station-house last night.

MR. TERRY INTERVIEWED.

He Talks About Roanoke in Philadelphia.

Mr. P. L. Terry, who is now in Philadelphia, has been interviewed by the Inquirer, of that city, which says:

In the tide of humanity that flows in and out of the big hotels, in the course of every day events, there seldom comes to the surface a more interesting personage than a short, thick set man, about fifty years of age, who sat reclining leisurely on the bell boy's bench at the Lafayette Hotel the other night.

He was P. L. Terry, a wealthy land owner of Roanoke, Va., who has amassed an immense fortune by the rise in real estate values during the past three or four years. It is less than a decade since he owned more than half the present city of Roanoke. His possessions then embraced a tract of 600 acres in that portion now known as the southern section of Roanoke. Twenty years ago he bought it for \$50,000 and sold it in 1881, when Roanoke was a town of about 400 inhabitants, to the Roanoke Land and Improvement Company for \$125,000.

This company spent about \$25,000 cutting streets through the tract and reaped an enormous profit from the sale of the ground in lots. Since Mr. Terry parted with the property some of it has been sold at the rate of \$10,000 an acre, and the estimated value of the same tract now runs up into the millions.

"Roanoke owes her present position and marvelous development," said Mr. Terry, "to Philadelphia capitalists. Through them we got the English capital which has done so much in the way of developing the wonderful coal and iron interests of our country. Philadelphia and London have really built up Southwest Virginia. Her representatives are still pushing forward the work with great activity and striking progress, and they have among other enterprises just broken ground at Roanoke for a mammoth rolling mill. It may be that Philadelphia is slow at home, but Philadelphia has with their push and energy put the manufacturing interests of Roanoke one year ahead of the city's population. We have not houses enough for the people who are coming."

EXCHANGE DIRECTORS MEET.

Permanent Rooms and Secretary to be Secured.

The board of directors of the Real Estate Exchange met last night at the office of Gray & Boswell and decided to secure permanent quarters as soon as possible.

The rooms will be in charge of the secretary and treasurer, who is to be employed permanently at a salary of one thousand dollars per annum.

The committee in charge of the location of quarters and consideration of applications are Messrs. Featherstone, Boswell and Bowman.

Previous to the meeting of the board, President Hockaday heard the reports of the committees having in charge the details of the arrangements of the attendance at the real estate convention at Norfolk on the 19th and 20th of this month.

Each member attending the convention is to be the possessor of a handsome badge of white silk with gold lettering.

Arrangements have been made with the Norfolk and Western for a round trip rate of \$11.30.

A pullman car has been engaged especially for the delegates, and if found necessary more will be secured.

Francis J. Kemp, the chairman of the committee on transportation, wishes to impress on the minds of all members of the exchange the necessity of communicating with him at once if they desire places in the sleepers.

After these reports had been heard the board went into session. Judge Yarrel and Messrs. Yeager and Baker were elected a committee to revise the constitution and by-laws of the exchange so as to meet purposes of the re-organization.

The delegation from this city to the Norfolk convention will leave on Tuesday, and, on arriving in Norfolk, will make their headquarters at the St. James Hotel, handsome parlors having been secured by Chairman Catagnis, of the committee on general arrangements.

These quarters will be well stocked with pamphlets and other printed information in regard to the Magic City.

There will be a called meeting of all the members of the exchange on Monday night at the office of Gray & Boswell, and it is desired every member be present.

IN ROANOKE SLEEPING?

Lynchburg Moving For the Baltimore and Ohio Extension.

LYNCHBURG, Nov. 14.—[Special]—The committee appointed by the trade and industrial organizations of Lynchburg to wait on the Baltimore and Ohio authorities to urge an extension of the Valley railroad from Lexington to this point, left Lynchburg to-night for Baltimore, where they will hold an interview, by appointment, to-morrow with M. Mayer, the president of the road.

New York Theatre Company.

The New York Theatre Company has been saving the best for the last of their engagement here.

"The Vagabond Comrade," an interesting play through every act, delighted a packed house, and was better than the average popular-priced entertainments.

A matinee will be given this afternoon, at which "Josh Whitecomb" will be presented. The company will close the week's engagement with the rendition of "A Mountain Pink."

Old exchanges for sale at THE TIMES office; 20 cents per 100.

THREE WRECKS YESTERDAY.

Six People Killed and Over Twenty Injured.

Two Killed and Eighteen Injured in a Terrible Collision Near New Florence, on the Pennsylvania Road—Colored Brakeman Killed, and Others Injured on the Norfolk and Western near Petersburg—Three Killed and Several Injured on the Baltimore and Ohio Near Scott's Station.

PITTSBURG, Nov. 14.—[Special]—A collision occurred on the Pennsylvania railroad, near New Florence, Pa., this morning between the first and second sections of the Western express, killing two passengers and injuring eleven others.

The killed are Henry D. Minot, of Brooklyn, and Mrs. S. H. Angell, of Washington.

The injured are R. S. Delaney and wife, of Haymarket, Va., very severely; J. F. Mathews, of Baltimore, very seriously; J. Hellman, of Washington, internally; William Rochester, of the Hoffman House, New York, internally; A. C. Hicks, of Providence, R. I., seriously; Miss M. V. Kellogg, of Richmond, slightly; J. H. Hill, of Sunbury, Pa., internally injured; William Miller, of Allegheny City, seriously; Henry McCormick, engineer, of Mineville, very seriously; Dr. Wiehle, very seriously.

At least four of the injured, it is thought, will die.

The horror of the scene was increased by the burning of the Pullman coaches.

The accident was caused by a heavy fog, which prevented the engineer from seeing the first section in time to stop his train.

The first section left New York last evening. At Harrisburg a Washington sleeper was attached, and the train was due at Pittsburgh at 7.45.

The first section of express is known as number nine, and the second as number seven. The first section was due at New Florence at 5:16 a. m., but it was 6:37 when the train reached that station.

The fog was so dense that the engineer did not notice the red signal in the tower till after he had passed. He then slowed up and went back for his orders. He then pulled ahead slowly.

In the meantime the flagman of number nine had gone back to signal number seven. According to the conductor of number nine, the second train crashed into the first within a minute and a half after the flagman's departure. The flagman could not have gone far in that time, yet he says he torpedoed the tracks, and the engineer of the second section saw his signals.

The two passengers who were killed outright were asleep in the bunks in the rear end of the car and never knew what hurt them.

Twenty-two passengers were in the car, most of whom were congregated in or around the washroom in the front end of the car.

The engine of number seven telescoped into this car ten or twelve feet, and then stopped, and the loss of life would have been much greater.

The wrecked engine caught on fire, but the passengers were all gotten out without harm from the flames. The sleeper went forward was blown from the track, but nobody in it was hurt.

Only one person was hurt on the second train, the fireman of the engine, and he but slightly. Later news from the disaster reports seven more injured, making eighteen in all, only two in the car escaping.

Their names are: E. A. Perish, Quincy, Ill.; Miss M. Welfare, Cleveland, Ill.; S. H. Hill, Pittsburgh; Samuel Gallo, New York; J. W. West, Boston; Mrs. S. D. Williams, Cleveland; E. H. Tighe, Detroit.

R. S. Delaney and wife, of Haymarket, Va., were on their wedding trip and both sustained serious injuries. C. C. Hor, of Providence, R. I., was more seriously injured than at first supposed and cannot live.

WRECK ON THE N. & W.

Two Engines and Sixteen Cars Wrecked and a Negro Killed.

PITTSBURG, Va., Nov. 14.—[Special]—Two freight trains on the Norfolk and Western road collided about 6 o'clock this morning near Church Road, about eighteen miles from this city.

Both engines were wrecked, as were also sixteen cars.

George Breckham, a colored brakeman, was instantly killed and his body is still under the debris.

J. A. Akers, one of the engineers, had a leg painfully injured. William Dixie, a colored brakeman, had several ribs broken, and his condition is critical.

Another brakeman had a leg fractured, and all the other train hands were more or less seriously injured.

Negligence of a telegraph operator is said to have caused the disaster.

The track was badly blocked all day.

ANOTHER WRECK.

Three Men Killed on the Baltimore and Ohio, and Several Injured.

BELLAIR, Ohio, Nov. 14.—[Special]—A collision occurred on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, near Scott's Station, at 4 o'clock this morning, between the east and west-bound freight trains, killing John Watson, engineer, and James Fleisher, fireman, instantly.

James Barrett, fireman, was scalded so badly that he died an hour later. Thomas Burke, another employee, was seriously injured about the head and cannot recover. Both engines and cars were completely wrecked. The accident was caused by disregarding orders.

FIRE IN SAN FRANCISCO.

A \$250,000 Building and Machinery Burned.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 14.—[Special]—A disastrous fire broke out last night in the large brick building, known as the Wortheimer building, corner Sacramento and David streets, owned by S. Wangenheim and occupied by H. Dutard, commission merchant; Seroni & Co., candy manufacturers, and H. Leives & Co.'s cigar manufactory.

The flames were leaping through the roof before the alarm was sounded, and shortly after the roof fell, followed by the floors which were filled with heavy machinery.

At 11 o'clock the walls fell out in the street with a crash and the firemen only saved themselves by plunging through the windows of the stores opposite the burning building.

This gave the firemen a chance to work, and they soon had the fire under control. The loss will be heavy, probably \$250,000, there being much expensive machinery and valuable stock in the building.

METHODIST CONFERENCE.

Young Ministers Admitted at the Meeting Yesterday.

PETERSBURG, Va., Nov. 14.—[Special]—The third day's session of the Virginia conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was inaugurated this morning by devotional exercises conducted by Rev. E. M. Peterson, after which Bishop Hargrove called the assembly to order.

After the reading and approval of the minutes of yesterday's session, a resolution deprecating the opening of the national exposition at Chicago on Sunday, and strongly urging the board of management to restrict the opening of the same to six days per week, was passed.

A telegram of greeting was then read from the Baptist General Association, then about to adjourn at Richmond, exhorting the conference to "Take the shield of faith, wherewith ye may be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked."

The Virginia Disciples' Convention, also in session at Richmond, likewise sent a Biblical greeting.

The following applicants having passed satisfactory examinations and being warmly and highly endorsed by their several presiding elders, were admitted on trial: Geo. T. Fortune, Olway P. Moorman, James W. Heckman, Samuel D. Drewry, Eugene H. Rawling, Samuel W. Enson, William B. Jett, John A. Smith, Emmet F. Garner and Robert D. Bentley.

BORNEMANN MISSING.

He Has Probably Committed Suicide.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Nov. 14.—[Special]—William Bornemann, Vice-Consul of Netherlands, and manager of the Charleston and New Orleans offices of Knopf, Froehlich & Co., cotton buyers, is missing.

Bornemann has for years talked of self destruction and for the past week that has been the constant subject of his talk. His accounts and business are in excellent condition.

His wife and family are living in Bremen, where he has just bought an elegant home. The only cause for suicide, if it has occurred, is mental aberration.

Bornemann is a nephew of Baron Knopf, and was in good circumstances.

Expecting a Messiah.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—[Special]—Late advices from the Pine Ridge agency, in South Dakota, are to the effect that the excitement among the Indians on account of the reported coming of a new Messiah, is rapidly increasing.

Some apprehension is felt that if active measures are not taken by the Government to prevent it, a serious outbreak may occur during the early spring, or even before. It is said, however, that the Government has the whole situation well in hand, and will at once effectually crush out the first signs of an uprising.

Kenney Makes a Count.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—[Special]—Supervisor Kenney, the representative here of Mayor Grant, left Washington for New York city to-day, bearing copies of the population schedules of the second ward of New York city, called for by a resolution recently adopted by the City Council of New York. Mr. Kenney says the census schedules show a population of 932 while the police enumeration shows a population of 1,510.

Death of an Aged Clerk.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—[Special]—William Pope, of this city, clerk in the Third Auditor's Office, Treasury Department, was stricken with apoplexy in the department yesterday while on his way to his desk, and died shortly afterward. Pope was eighty-three years old, and was one of the oldest clerks, in point of age and service, in the employ of the Government.

New York Postoffice Trouble.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—[Special]—Chief Inspector Rathbun, of the Post Office Department, has received a letter from his assistant in New York City recommending the dismissal of seven letter carriers and one clerk in the New York postoffice and the suspension of four carriers found to be in the employ of the "green goods men."

Still It Grows.

MUSKOGEE, Mich., Nov. 14.—[Special]—The official canvass of the Ninth Congressional district shows the election of H. H. Wheeler, Democrat, to Congress, in place of H. M. Cutcheon, Republican, as previously reported. Wheeler's plurality is forty-eight.

A Big Loan.

PARIS, Nov. 14.—[Special]—The Temps says that the Bank of France advances to the Bank of England £3,000,000 for three months at 3 per cent.

BIRCHALL MEETS HIS FATE.

He Was Calm and Game to the Last.

Death by Strangulation Within Six Minutes After the Drop Fell—His Old College Chum Stands by Him to the Last and Kisses Him Under the Gallows—He Denies Alleged Confessions.

WOODSTOCK, Can., Nov. 14.—[Special]—Reginald Birchall, whose case has attracted almost universal interest, was hanged here this morning for the murder of F. C. Benwell, a fellow Englishman whom he lured to America from England, and then killed him in a lonely swamp not far from Niagara.

Birchall met his fate bravely and died without showing any signs of fear.

His wife called on him at 7 o'clock last evening and was alone with him until 1 o'clock in the morning, when there was a sorrowful parting.

Birchall spent most of the remainder of the night reading the Scriptures, praying and talking with Rev. Rural Dean Wade. He also arranged his affairs with his executors.

The quietness of death pervaded the jail until the hangman from Toronto came.

He noisily demanded admittance, and when inside, spoke loudly and often, so that the guards, who have become attached to Birchall through his uniform courtesy, were glad when the hangman unconcernedly lay down and went to sleep.

At 4 o'clock Birchall bade good bye to Night Guard Midgely, who has been watching him. He was fearful a faked confession might be given out after his death, and gave out this document:

"WOODSTOCK JAIL, Nov. 10, 1890.
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"If, after my death, there shall appear in the press in any other manner whatsoever, any confession that I had any hand in the murder of F. C. Benwell, or any personal knowledge of said murder, with intent or malice aforethought, or any personal connection with the murder on the 17th of February or other day, or any knowledge that any such murder was likely to be committed, or any statement further than any that I have made public previous to this date, I hand this statement to the care of George Perry, of Woodstock, Ontario, that he may know that any confession or partial confession are entirely fictitious, and in no way were ever written by me, neither emanated from me in any way whatsoever to any person, and the whole are fictitious and without the word of truth.

This likewise applies to my story in the 'Mail,' in which I have made no such confession or partial confession. This holds good throughout.

REG. BIRCHALL.

At 5 o'clock the other prisoners were put to work to get them out of the way, and Birchall ate a couple of eggs, refusing other things, though he had eaten nothing during the night.

The crowd from the surrounding country had by this time collected, and about two hundred persons with admission cards were let into the jail yard.